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DETAILED ACTION

1. This Office action is in response to Applicant's Reply/Brief filed on 05/07/2007.

2. The Reply Brief filed on 05/07/2007 has been considered and noted. The application has been forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences for decision on the appeal.

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